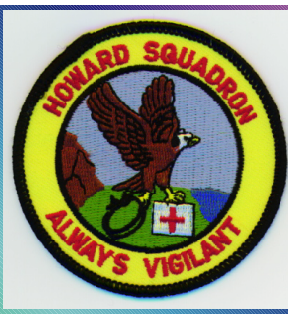




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EMERGENCY SERVICES

Missing Aircraft

On June 7, 2001, about 1100 Eastern Daylight Time, a Hughes 369A (OH-6A) helicopter, N58963, operated by Saber Executive Helicopters, was destroyed during collision with mountainous terrain in Perry, West Virginia.

The certificated commercial pilot was fatally injured. Instrument meteorological conditions prevailed for the positioning flight that originated at Capital City Airport (CXY), Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. No flight plan was filed for the flight conducted under 14 CFR Part 91.

The helicopter departed CXY, at 0938, destined for the Tri-Cities Airport (TRI), Bristol, Tennessee. Examination of fuel records, and conversation with the fixed-base operator at CXY, revealed the helicopter was "topped off" with 37 gals of Jet A aviation fuel, at 0930.

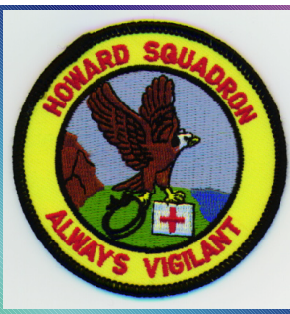
The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued an Alert Notice (ALNOT) for the helicopter after concerned family members reported the helicopter overdue. The last known radar position for the helicopter was 20 miles southwest of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, at 0950.

The Civil Air Patrol located the crash site from the air on June 9, 2001, at 1934. Howard Squadron's Lt Col Kevin Redman acted as mission coordinator for a part of this search. On the first day ground team members and trainees from Howard Squadron were involved in running down clues in Pennsylvania, hoping to catch a glimpse of the aircraft or the local CAP units. No evidence of either ever appeared. Our participants were 1st Lt R. Terry, C/1Lt D. Steciak, C/2Lt's S. Haack, D. Kinnaman, B. Terry, and C/SMSgt D. Haack.





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Public Affairs

The Squadron received an extremely complete and well crafted article in the Baltimore Sun for Howard County by Jamie Smith-Hopkins. We all enjoyed working with her and appreciate the remarkable job she did in learning about CAP.

Activities and Achievements

Cadets: Hudson to Wright Bros, Rickenbacker; Wainland to Lindbergh, Doolittle; Widmer to Lindbergh, Doolittle; Fenner to Goddard; Christensen to Doolittle; Chandra to Goddard; Rockstroh to Doolittle; Kirchenbauer to Arnold; Sines to Doolittle; Haack, D. to Doolittle, Goddard.

Promotions & Awards

Seniors: The squadron welcomes Doug Perkins, a former Earhardt Cadet, who has joined the squadron as a senior member. He has taken over the duties of Personnel Officer for cadets. 1st Lt Robert Terry has qualified as an Information Officer in emergency services as was also selected for a NASA workshop in science education held at Boulder's Space Science Institute. The activity was a most rewarding experience with regard to Aerospace Education.

Web Site ([hcs.mdwg. cap.gov](http://hcs.mdwg.cap.gov))

The Yahoo!Groups web sites continue to receive many basic forms and announcements under the "Files" category. All group members are welcome to contribute.

Quarterly Order of the Wingnut

Won by Lt Col Tom Maclellan for the peculiar misapprehension on a recent mission that a "T" on a cup meant "Tom" as opposed to a "tea" for Maj Cloukey.

